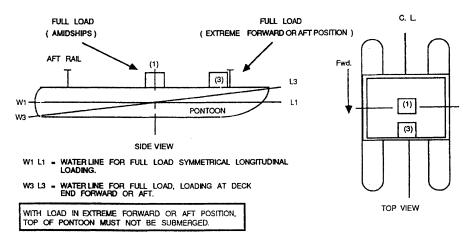
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FIGURE 178.340(d)(2)

## LONGITUDINAL STABILITY STANDARD



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## Subpart D—Drainage of Weather Decks

## § 178.410 Drainage of flush deck ves-

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, the weather deck on a flush deck vessel must be watertight and have no obstruction to overboard drainage.
- (b) Each flush deck vessel may have solid bulwarks in the forward one-third length of the vessel if:
- (1) The bulwarks do not form a well enclosed on all sides; and
- (2) The foredeck of the vessel has sufficient sheer to ensure drainage aft.

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## §178.420 Drainage of cockpit vessels.

- (a) Except as follows, the cockpit on a cockpit vessel may be watertight:
- (1) A cockpit may have companionways if the companionway openings have watertight doors, or weathertight doors and coamings which meet §179.360 of this subchapter.
- (2) A cockpit may have ventilation openings along its inner periphery if

the vessel operates only on protected or partially protected waters.

- (b) The cockpit deck of a cockpit vessel that operates on exposed or partially protected waters must be at least 255 millimeters (10 inches) above the deepest load waterline unless the vessel complies with:
- (1) The intact stability requirements of §§170.170, 170.173, 171.050, 171.055, and 171.057 in subchapter S of this chapter;
- (2) The Type II subdivision requirements in §§171.070, 171.072, and 171.073 in subchapter S of this chapter; and
- (3) The damage stability requirements in §171.080 in subchapter S of this chapter.
- (c) The cockpit deck of a cockpit vessel that does not operate on exposed or partially protected waters must be located as high above the deepest load waterline as practicable.
- (d) The cockpit must be self-bailing. Scuppers or freeing ports for the cockpit deck of a cockpit vessel must:
- (1) Be located to allow rapid clearing of water in all probable conditions of list and trim;
- (2) Have a combined drainage area of at least the area required by §178.450 of this part; and